

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a TV studio at Dharamsala, Himachal Pradesh to ensure telecast of regional programmes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). No, Sir. There is no such proposal under the consideration of the Government at present.

(c) A TV Studio Centre is already under implementation at Shimla in Himachal Pradesh. establishment of another such facility in the State would depend upon availability of resources and relative priorities.

Infiltrators from Bangladesh

3995. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bangladesh Government has agreed to take back infiltrators of the Border Security Force push back Bangladeshi nationals caught at the time of crossing the international border; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). In the Annual Co-ordination Meeting held in Sept, 1991 between Border Security Force and Bangladesh Rifles, it was agreed as Under:-

(1) Illegal migrants who are convicted by the courts in India would be accepted by BDR.

(2) Persons who are apprehended in the process of crossing the border would be accepted by BDR.

(3) Persons who have recently migrated, when being handed over will be accepted on the veracity of their statements. Wherever necessary such persons may be jointly questioned.

(4) Persons who have migrated much earlier, will need detailed verification. In such case, local (District) Civil authorities will be involved in the process of verification, alongwith the representatives of BSF and BDR.

[Translation]

Delay in Delivery of Money Orders in Maharashtra

3996. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of delay in delivery and missing of money order are on the increase;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of such cases reported during the last three months, state-wise particularly in Maharashtra; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A statement is enclosed.

(d) The following steps are taken by the